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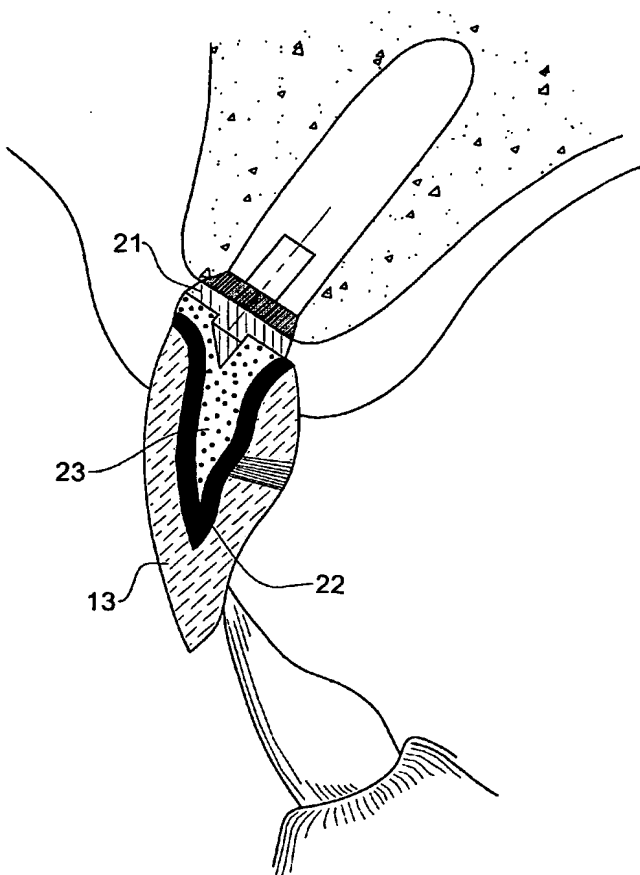
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(54) Title: METHOD AND KIT FOR PREPARING A DENTAL ABUTMENT



(57) Abstract: A method and kit and components thereof for forming an abutment for interfacing a dental prosthesis to a dental implant or duplicate inserted into a patient's jaw or model thereof. An intra-implant element that is or may be bonded to an intra-crown element via a resilient bonding material to form a deformable connection is inserted into the dental implant or duplicate. The intra-crown element is adjusted relative to the intra-implant element to form a model abutment that is properly adjusted to the dental implant or duplicate and is properly positioned to receive a dental prosthesis. The connection is strengthened so that removal of the model abutment and attached dental prosthesis from the dental implant or duplicate does not deform the model abutment, the model abutment and attached dental prosthesis are removed from the dental implant or said duplicate; and the model abutment used to form a permanent abutment.



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